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Friday, July 19, 2013

Mary Townzen  
752 Craig Avenue  
Campbell, CA 95008

Re: Freedom of Information Act Request EPA-R9-2013-007603

Dear Mrs. Townzen:

This email is in response to your Freedom of Information Act request for the analytical results dating back to September 26, 1999, of regulated contaminants, in drinking water served to your home at 752 Craig Avenue, Campbell, California 95008 (See Attached Data File). It is also in response to our phone conversation on Thursday, July 18, 2013.

The following enclosure lists the 90<sup>th</sup> percentile lead level data dating back to the year 2000 for the San Jose Water Company (SJWC). These are the only water quality data in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) national Safe Drinking Water Information Database (SDWIS). Please note that the column heading, "SampleID" number, is a reference number for a group of samples collected from locations throughout the distribution system selected for the potential for high lead levels. The number of samples in the group is determined by the number of customers served by the water utility. The calculated 90<sup>th</sup> percentile lead level is in the "SampleMeasure" column. This data indicate that the SJWC is in compliance with the action level (0.015 mg/L) that if exceeded would trigger further action including water quality parameter monitoring and corrosion control treatment.

Water utilities are required to submit only 90<sup>th</sup> percentile lead level data to the USEPA. California water utilities submit all required analytical data to the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) and certain delegated county health departments for compliance determination and enforcement with respect to the national primary drinking water standards under the Safe Drinking Water Act.

On the phone, you were particularly interested in obtaining water quality data for all the regulated contaminants, particularly copper. You may recall my mentioning that the regulations require monitoring in the distribution system for only some of the regulated contaminants and that the locations should reflect the likelihood of detection at the highest levels, such as for lead and copper. The SJWC and the CDPH, whom you have contacted with water quality concerns, have the water quality monitoring data submitted for compliance determination with the state and federal regulations under the Safe Drinking Water Act.

I do hope this helps.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: SJWC 90<sup>th</sup> Percentile Lead Levels

**ENCLOSURE**

**San Jose Water Company  
90<sup>th</sup>ile Lead Level for 2000-2011**

PWSName	PWSID	SampleID	SampleMon BeginDate	SampleMon EndDate	SARIdentifier	CCode	SampleMeasure
SAN JOSE WATER COMPANY	CA4310011	431001100182L	1/1/2000	12/31/2000	16994327	PB90	0.005

SAN JOSE WATER COMPANY	CA4310011	431001100338L	1/1/2000	12/31/2000	16994328	PB90	0.006
SAN JOSE WATER COMPANY	CA4310011	431001102152L	1/1/2002	12/31/2002	12883620	PB90	0.0025
SAN JOSE WATER COMPANY	CA4310011	431001102182L	1/1/2002	12/31/2002	16994329	PB90	0.009
SAN JOSE WATER COMPANY	CA4310011	93357	1/1/2002	12/31/2004	9338295	PB90	0.0025
SAN JOSE WATER COMPANY	CA4310011	431001103032L	1/1/2003	12/31/2003	16994330	PB90	0.006
SAN JOSE WATER COMPANY	CA4310011	431001105262L	1/1/2005	12/31/2005	12883621	PB90	0.006
SAN JOSE WATER COMPANY	CA4310011	431001109175L	1/1/2009	12/31/2009	16994331	PB90	0.0025
SAN JOSE WATER COMPANY	CA4310011	431001110264L	1/1/2010	12/31/2010	16994332	PB90	0.005
SAN JOSE WATER COMPANY	CA4310011	431001111047L	1/1/2011	12/31/2011	16994333	PB90	0.003